## **Natural Resources Conservation Service**

# **Application Ranking Summary**

# **Upper Arkansas - Soil Management**

Program:	Ranking Date:	Application Number:
Ranking Tool: Upper Arkansas - Soil Management		Applicant:
Final Ranking Score:		Address:
Planner:		Telephone:
Farm Location:		

### **National Priorities Addressed**

Issue Questions	
1. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in considerable reductions of non-point source pollution, such as nutrients, sediment, pesticides, excess salinity in impaired watersheds, groundwater contamination or point source contamination from confined animal feeding operations?	
2. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable amount of ground or surface water conservation?	Yes O or No O
3. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable reduction of emissions, such as particulate matter, nitrogen oxides (NOx), volatile organic compounds, and ozone precursors and depleters that contribute to air quality impairment violations of National Ambient Air Quality Standards?	
4. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable reduction in soil erosion and sedimentation from unacceptable levels on agricultural land?	
5. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable increase in the promotion of at-risk species habitat conservation?	

### **State Issues Addressed**

Issue Questions	
1. Will the project reduce the amount of nutrients/pesticides/salt/selenium or other pollutants entering ground or surface waters?	
2. Will the planned practice(s) promote water conservation on the contracted acres?	
3. Will the project address invasive and/or noxious plants on contracted acres?	
4. Will the project result in an improvement to the existing management system to meet the state AFO/CAFO regulations?	
5. Does the project increase the diversity of desirable plants on grazing lands?	
6. Does the project improve the health of riparian and/or wetland areas?	
7. Is the proposed project located within the State's NRCS wildlife priority area, and do the planned practices address the habitat needs of the targeted species designated in the wildlife priority area?	
8. Will the proposed project reduce field soil loss to below "T" or will the planned practice(s) reduce irrigation induced/streambank erosion?	
9. Does the applicant currently use a progressive conservation plan that was developed within the last five years and includes the same resource concern and practices they are currently applying for?	
10. Does the applicant meet one or more of the following conditions: a. Did the applicant successfully complete any past EQIP contract(s) in full compliance; or b. If the applicant has an existing EQIP contract has it been, and is it now, on schedule and in full compliance? IF THIS IS THE APPLICANT'S FIRST APPLICATION, ANSWER, "Yes	

### **Local Issues Addressed**

Issue Questions	
1. Is there a current COMPLETE resource management conservation plan in place?	Yes O or No O
2. If application is funded, will this be the applicant's first EQIP contract for this resource issue?	
3. Is the site assessment score of site specific potential erodibility for wind and sheet and rill erosion >0 but	Yes O or No O

=<5?	
4. Is the site assessment score of site specific potential erodibility for wind and sheet and rill erosion >5 but	Yes O or No O
=<10?	
5. Is the site assessment score of site specific potential erodibility for wind and sheet and rill erosion >10 but =<15	Yes O or No O
6. Is the site assessment score of site specific potential erodibility for wind and sheet and rill erosion >15 but =<20?	Yes O or No O
7. Is the site assessment score of site specific potential erodibility for wind and sheet and rill erosion >20?	Yes O or No O
8. Is the erosion reduction score for sheet and rill erosion >0 but =<5?	Yes O or No O
9. Is the erosion reduction score for sheet and rill erosion >5 but =<10?	Yes O or No O
10. Is the erosion reduction score for sheet and rill erosion >10 but =<15?	Yes O or No O
11. Is the erosion reduction score for sheet and rill erosion >15 but =<20?	Yes O or No O
12. Is the erosion reduction score for sheet and rill erosion >20?	Yes O or No O
13. Is the erosion reduction score for wind erosion $>5$ but $=<10$ ?	Yes O or No O
14. Is the erosion reduction score for wind erosion >10 but =<20?	Yes O or No O
15. Is the erosion reduction score for wind erosion >20 but =<35?	Yes O or No O
16. Is the erosion reduction score for wind erosion >35 but =<55?	Yes O or No O
17. Is the erosion reduction score for wind erosion >55 but =<80?	Yes O or No O
18. Is the erosion reduction score for wind erosion >80?	Yes O or No O
19. Is the erosion reduction score for concentrated flow >0 but =<3?	Yes O or No O
20. Is the erosion reduction score for concentrated flow $>3$ but $=<5$ ?	Yes O or No O
21. Is the erosion reduction score for concentrated flow >5 but =<10?	Yes O or No O
22. Is the erosion reduction score for concentrated flow >10 but =<20?	Yes O or No O
23. Is the erosion reduction score for concentrated flow >20 but =<30?	Yes O or No O
24. Is the erosion reduction score for concentrated >30 but =<40?	Yes O or No O
25. Is the soil quality-carbon sequestration score >0 but =<5?	Yes O or No O
26. Is the soil quality-carbon sequestration score >5 but =<10?	Yes O or No O
27. Is the soil quality-carbon sequestration score >10 but =<15?	Yes O or No O
28. Is the soil quality-carbon sequestration score >15 but =<20?	Yes O or No O
29. Is the soil quality-carbon sequestration score >20 but =<30?	Yes O or No O
30. Is the soil quality-carbon sequestration score >30 but =<40?	Yes O or No O
31. Is the soil quality-carbon sequestration score >40 but =<50?	Yes O or No O
32. Is the soil quality-carbon sequestration score >50?	Yes O or No O
33. Is the plant suitability, condition, and integrated pest management score >0 but =<5?	Yes O or No O
34. Is the plant suitability, condition, and integrated pest management score >5 but =<10?	Yes O or No O
35. Is the plant suitability, condition, and integrated pest management score >10 but =<15?	Yes O or No O
36. Is the plant suitability, condition, and integrated pest management score >15 but =<20?	Yes O or No O
37. Is the plant suitability, condition, and integrated pest management score >20?	Yes O or No O
38. Does the conservation treatment include the installation of practices that improve and enhance wildlife habitat as a part of the overall operation of the agricultural enterprise, including invasive species control?	Yes O or No O
39. Does the conservation treatment include the installation of practices that improves grazing rotation with a switchback system?	Yes O or No O
40. Does the conservation treatment include the installation of practices that improves grazing rotation with a rest-rotation system?	Yes O or No O
41. Does the conservation treatment include the installation of practices that improves grazing rotation with a deferred rotation system?	Yes O or No O
42. Does the conservation treatment include use exclusion?	Yes O or No O
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43. Does the conservation treatment include the installation of practices that improves grazing rotation with a limited or a standard pasture high intensity short duration system?	
44. Will the proposed project include the renovation of an old windbreak/shelterbelt, including the removal of dead trees or rows and replanting to maintain the function of the windbreak/shelterbelt to protect cropland?	Yes O or No O
45. Does the proposed project include the establishment of a new windbreak/shelterbelt for the protection of cropland that includes species diversity including shrubs which is also beneficial to wildlife?	Yes O or No O

### Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices	
Ranking Score		
Efficiency:		
Local Issues:		
State Issues:		
National Issues:		
Final Ranking Score:		

This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

	Application Signature Not Required for Contract Development unless required by State policy:
Signature Date:	Signature Date: